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Serial No. 09/847,757

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Enclosed for filing please find the following items relating to the above Application:

- (1) Transmittal Letter (1 page)
- (2) Transmittal Form (1 page) and
- (3) Response to Office Action dated October 2, 2004 (17 pages);

There were 21 claims canceled and 15 claims added including 3 independent claims canceled and 3 independent claims added. If you have any questions or comments concerning this matter, please feel free to contact the undersigned 972-583-8656.

Sincerely,



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<b>Remarks</b>		
<p>Of the 21 claims canceled in the Amendment under 37 CFR 1.11, three claims were independent claims. There were 15 claims added and of those added claims three were independent claims that offset the three canceled independent claims. Therefore there are no extra fees due.</p>		

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SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS

1. Claims 1-12, 25, 27, 31-36, and 46 have been canceled (21 claims have been canceled). Three independent claims are canceled.
2. Claims 48-62 have been added (15 claims added). Three independent claims are added.
3. Claims 13-24, 26, 28-30, 37-45, and 47 have been amended.
4. A complete list of pending claims begins on page 2 of this paper.
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